### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 **Notice SU-62** 

For: Sugar State and County Offices

### **Updated Polarity Premium and Discount Schedule**

**Approved by:** Deputy Administrator, Farm Programs

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#### 1 Overview

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**Background** 

Notice SU-59 was issued on August 2, 2000, clarifying the forfeiture procedures for sugar loans.

B Purpose

This notice provides:

- a new polarity premium and discount schedule, see Exhibit 1
- procedures for County Offices to:
  - offset the forfeiture penalty from the polarity premiums
  - accept polarity test results from the processors at forfeiture for cane sugar only.

Disposal Date	Distribution
August 1, 2001	Sugar State Offices; State Offices relay to applicable County Offices

#### 2 Action

## A Forfeiture Penalty

A penalty shall be assessed and paid by a processor at the time of forfeiture of any sugar pledged as collateral for nonrecourse loans. County Offices shall calculate the penalty as follows:

- 1 cent per pound, raw value, for raw sugar
- 1.072 cent per pound, refined basis, for refined beet sugar.

These penalties are **due** and **payable** in the County Office the day after maturity.

### B Polarity Premiums and Discounts

Adjustments will be made for polarity **only** for sugar cane at settlement according to Exhibit 1. Polarity tests **are** the processors' responsibility. County Offices may offset the forfeiture penalty from the premium payment.

**All** sugar cane processors must submit the documentation to the County Office the day after maturity for this adjustment to be made.

County Offices must:

- remind the processor that:
  - the forfeiture penalty is **due** the day **after** maturity
  - a forfeiture penalty **not** received the day after maturity is **not** considered a bonafide forfeiture
- manually calculate the:
  - forfeiture penalty
  - applicable premium and discounts according to Exhibit 1.

**Example:** If a sugar can processor forfeits 2,500 lbs. sugar cane, the penalty would be \$25.00 (2,500 lbs. x .01000=\$25.00). The processor presents polarity results which tested 99.0 degrees of which, according to Exhibit 1, will result in a premium of \$23.63 (2,500 lbs x 0.9450=\$23.63).

Subtract the forfeiture penalty from the premium and collect and deposit the remaining monies due according to 3-FI, using the program code "99SUGFORF".

## **Bulk Raw Cane Sugar Polarity Premium and Discount Schedule**

This table provides a schedule for premiums and discounts adjusted for polarity degree.

Premiums		Discounts	
Polarity Degree	Adjustment (Cents/Lb.)	Polarity Degree	Adjustment (Cents/Lb.)
99.0+	0.9450	95.9	-0.0315
98.9	0.9135	95.8	-0.0630
98.8	0.8820	95.7	-0.0945
98.7	0.8505	95.6	-0.1260
98.6	0.8190	95.5	-0.1575
98.5	0.7875	95.4	-0.1890
98.4	0.7560	95.3	-0.2205
98.3	0.7245	95.2	-0.2520
98.2	0.6930	95.1	-0.2835
98.1	0.6615	95.0	-0.3150
98.0	0.6300	94.9	-0.3465
97.9	0.5985	94.8	-0.3780
97.8	0.5670	94.7	-0.4095
97.7	0.5355	94.6	-0.4410
97.6	0.5040	94.5	-0.4725
97.5	0.4725	94.4	-0.5040
97.4	0.4410	94.3	-0.5355
97.3	0.4095	94.2	-0.5670
97.2	0.3780	94.1	-0.5985
97.1	0.3465	94.0	-0.6300

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# **Bulk Raw Cane Sugar Polarity Premium and Discount Schedule (Continued)**

Premiums		Discounts	
Polarity Degree	Adjustment (Cents/Lb.)	Polarity Degree	Adjustment (Cents/Lb.)
97.0	0.3150		
96.9	0.2835		
96.8	0.2520		
96.7	0.2205		
96.6	0.1890		
96.5	0.1575		
96.4	0.1260		
96.3	0.0945		
96.2	0.0630		
96.1	0.0315		
96.0	0		